PREHISTORIC HUNTER-GATHERERS AND FARMERS IN THE ADRIATIC AND NEIGHBOURING REGIONS

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In 2014 a project entitled "Archaeological investigations into the Late Pleistocene and early Holocene of the Lim Channel Istria" (ARCHAEOLEIM), started. The main aims of this 3-year project financed by the Croatian Science Foundation are to provide data for better understanding of a number of important issues regarding behavioral and possibly biological aspects of human groups during a time when Late Glacial hunter-gatherers were forced to change and adapt to changing environmental and other pressures. The project concentrates on archaeological fieldwork at four sites where preliminary survey or small-scale excavations yielded evidence of human occupation: Romualdova cave (Middle and Upper Palaeolithic sequence), Pećina kod Rovinjskog sela 1 (Late Upper Palaeolithic and Mesolithic), Abri Kontija (Late Upper Palaeolithic) and Lim 001 (Late Mesolithic), all in the Lim Channel. Here we provide a summary of the results of the first two excavation seasons.

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